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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

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Sir:

Applicants respond herein to a notice to comply with requirements for patent applications containing nucleotide sequence and/or amino acid sequence disclosures dated January 6, 2003.

Applicants respectfully mention that this notice is in error. Applicants previously submitted a sequence listing paper copy, computer disc and certification pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 concurrently with the filing of the patent application by hand delivery to the Patent Office on February 5, 2002. A copy of the date stamped receipt from the Patent Office is attached, as well as a copy of the Application Data Sheet. Because the Patent Office appears to have misplaced the original Sequence Listing filing, Applicants attach herewith a replacement computer disc, and paper copy of the Sequence Listing.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f), the undersigned hereby states that the Sequence Listing submitted concurrently herewith does not include matter which goes beyond the content of the application as filed and that the information recorded on the diskette submitted concurrently herewith is identical to the written Sequence Listing filed in the patent application and the copy attached herewith.

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